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Idaho National Laboratory invests \$70,000 to improve Idaho education

On July 15, the U.S. Department of Energy's Idaho National Laboratory awarded \$70,000 in grants to Idaho schools and teachers to improve math, science and technology education. The grants come from Battelle Energy Alliance corporate funds. BEA is the managing and operating contractor for INL.

The INL Teacher Mini Grant program is designed to recognize and support excellence in teaching by providing funds to enhance public and private elementary, middle school and high school science, mathematics and technology programs. Teachers applied for up to \$2,000 per grant. The primary purpose of the grant is to provide for classroom equipment, material or teacher professional development.

Teachers applying for grants turned in proposals responding to the premise, "If I only had... then I could..." The INL grants supplement Idaho teachers' budgets for buying supplies and equipment for science, math, and technology classes and invest in those teachers and schools with innovative ideas.

INL awarded 40 grants to schools across Idaho. The following is a list of the teachers and schools receiving the INL Teacher Mini Grants:

Erin Johnson, Sandra Christensen, Aberdeen Middle School

Krista Jones, Bellevue Elementary School

Kelly McLeod, Anser Charter School, Anne Stafford, Boise District Office; Linda Stokes, Collister Elementary School, Kate Anderson, East Jr. High, Cheryl Richardson, Hillcrest Elementary School, Betty Collins, Koelsch Elementary School, Sandra Davis, Lowell Scott Middle School, and Stuart King, Washington Elementary School, all Boise

Shane Stockham, Buhl High School
Clinton Kennedy, Cascade High School
Linda Selvig, Centennial High School

Jean Robinson, Coeur d'Alene Charter Academy
Scott Meyers, Emmett High School
Mike Tesnohlidek, Fruitland High School
Tom Westre, Grace High School

Jenifer Haley, Horseshoe Bend High School
Lynette Smith, Skyline High School, Idaho Falls
Helen Larrusea Pleasant Valley Elementary, Jordon Valley
Charlotte Carpenter, Juliaetta Elementary

Pamela L. Wilson, Patterson Elementary, May
Marjorie Freeman, Lewis & Clark Middle School, Laura Walton, Mary McPherson Elementary and Loid Sherwood, Mountain View High School, all Meridian
Robert Santi, Middleton Middle School

Lisa Belknap, Lena Whitmore Elementary, and Kathy Dawes, Moscow Jr. High, both Moscow Susan Mayo, Highland High School, and Dawn Keller, Tendoy Elementary, both Pocatello

Camille Cureton and Laura Eder, both Midway Middle School, Rigby
Tracy Burgess, Salmon High School
Vince Wray, Shelley High School
Jo Dodds, O'Leary Jr. High, Kathy Graham, Sawtooth Elementary, both Twin Falls
Lisa Love, Kelli Jasper and Carol Newma, all Wendell Middle School.

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